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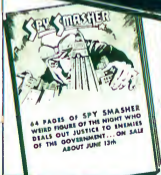


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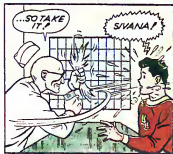


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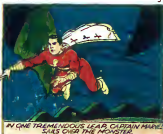


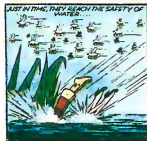
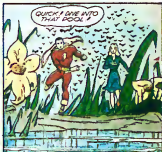


DR. SHRINKRAY'S A MISTAKE AND NOW CAPTAIN MARVEL FALLS INTO A RICHER POT...

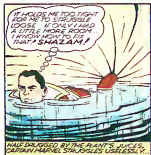
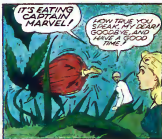
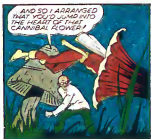


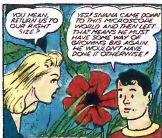


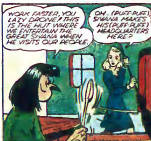










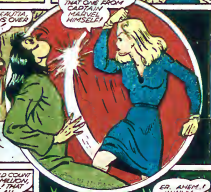


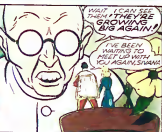
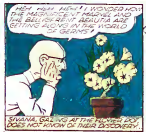












SECOND BY SECOND, THE TWO GROW BIGGER...

I'M GETTING OUT OF HERE!

NO! WAIT, I SETTLE A LITTLE MATTER, SYVANA!



THERE'S YOUR PRIVATE CAR WAITING FOR YOU

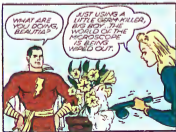
TO THINK THAT SYVANA, THE RIGHTFUL BUILDER OF THE UNIVERSE, SHOULD COME TO THIS!



WHAT ARE YOU DOING, BEAUTIFUL?

JUST USING A LITTLE GERM-KILLER, BIG BOY. THE WORLD OF THE MICROSCOPE IS BEING WIPED OUT.

IT WAS A THRILLING ADVENTURE, BOBKS, BUT CAPTAIN MARVEL DOESN'T EVER WANT ANOTHER ONE LIKE IT. GOODBYE NOW!





PLAY SQUARE



CAPTAIN MARVEL

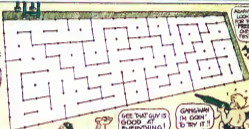
DIRECTIONS

THE OBJECT OF THIS GAME IS TO COMPLETE THE SQUARES IN FIVE OR LESS. KEEP SCORE BY MARKING A NUMBER (1,2,3,4) ON EACH LINE THAT DOES NOT CLOSE A SQUARE. LINES CLOSING SQUARES ARE FREE. NOW, BOYS AND GIRLS, LET ME KNOW HOW YOU LIKE TO PLAY THESE GAMES WITH ME!

THERE'S A CHANCE TO PLAY POOL WITHOUT USING A CUE!

TAKE YOUR PENCIL AND COMPLETE THESE SQUARES

CAP MARVEL WENT ALL OVER THE POOL IN 27 STROKES!



GEE THAT GUY IS GOOD AT EVERYTHING!

GANGWAN I'M GOIN' TO TRY IT!!

LOOK, JOE'S PLAYIN' "SHAFT-EYE" UNDER THAT BEACH UMBRELLA!

THE DOPE! WHY DOESN'T HE "PLAY SQUARE" ON THE OUTSIDE OF IT!!



THIS ATTRACTIVE DESIGN CAN BE COMPLETED WITH 26 SHAPPY LINES

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CAPT MARVEL



THE LONG-ANTICIPATED
MOMENT ARRIVES.
AN INVASION
FROM MARS!
THE DREADED
SPIDER MEN
HAVE WAITED
PATIENTLY FOR
A THOUSAND
YEARS TO STRIKE
DOWN THE LAND
CALLED EARTH.
BUT THEY
THAT EARTH'S
NIGHTMARE,
CAPTAIN
MARVEL,
MIGHT OBJECT.



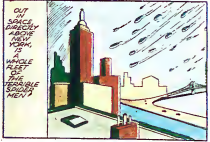
THEY'RE
COMING!
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COMING!

BE QUIET,
MENDERSOHN.
YOU'D THINK
A WAR HAD
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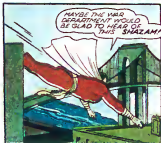


BUT WHO
HAS STARTED?
THE SPIDER
MEN FROM
MARS ARE
COMING!

BY
JOVE,
HE'S
RIGHT!
THEY
ARE
COMING!









MEANWHILE THE BANKS FROM FOOT
JOHNSON RUMBLE DOWN BROADWAY



BUT NOT
BEING
AS STRONG
AS
CAPTAIN
MARVEL,
THE
TANKS
ARE
NO MATCH
FOR
THE
INVADERS



ALL TANKS RETREAT
CITY MUST BE EVACUATED!



BUT WHAT CAN WE
DO, BILLY? WHAT
CAN WE DO?



YOU'VE
GOT WHAT?











FOR THE FIRST TIME ON THE SILENT PLANET, THEY HEAR A DEAFENING ROAR OF THUNDER, A BLINDING STREAK OF LIGHTNINGS.



WHY... TOO BAD AND A NICE NEW ARE AT THAT?

BY THE DEMONS IT'S CAPTAIN MARVEL!



IN PERSON!

HELP!



IF I CAN'T WIN BY DIPLOMACY, I'LL TRY A LITTLE OF THIS!



NO! NO! STAY AWAY FROM ME!

WELL, EN? JUST AS I THOUGHT!



WHEN GILL OFF YOUR SPIDER MEN? OR PUNCH YOUR NOSE IN?

THAT'S WHAT I'M TRYING TO TELL YOU I CAN'T CALL THEM OFF!



I HAVE NO MEANS OF RECALLING THEM. MY PLANS WERE TO LET THEM HOP UP ON EARTH AND THEN DIE OFF!



VERY WELL BUT WILL YOU PROMISE NEVER TO SEND ANYMORE?

WILLINGLY! FROM NOW ON I'M A FRIEND OF EARTH PEOPLE!



THEN I'LL GO BACK AND CLEAN UP ON THE SPIDER MEN MYSELF!



SHALL WE GO AFTER HIM, O KING?

I SHOULD SAY NOT! I'LL NEVER BREAK MY PROMISE TO THAT GUY!



BACK HE GOES, SPEEDING FASTER AND FASTER TO A PROBABLE DOOMED PLANET!



MEANWHILE THE GRUESOME SPIDER MEN MAKE BARRING PLANS.

ALL SPIDER MEN GATHER FOR A MASS RAID!



ALL THE EARTH PEOPLE HAVE FLED TO THE COUNTRY. WE'RE GOING AFTER THEM AND KILL THEM ALL!



WITH THEIR COMPLETE FORCES GATHERED, THE INVADERS FROM HEAVEN START ON THEIR CAMPAIGN OF DEATH.

BUT FROM THE SKIES DROPS A HUMAN HURRICANE...CAPTAIN MARVEL RETURNS IN TIME!



HELLO, BOYS! GOING SOMEWHERE?

CRASH!

I'M GOING TO MAKE YOU ROBOTS TODAY YOU EVER PUT FOOT ON THIS PLANET!



ANYWAY HENDERSON? TAKE A LOOK? CAPTAIN MARVEL IS BACK!



MEANWHILE, ON A HOLIDAY DAY JUST OUTSIDE OF NEW YORK CITY...

WAIT LET ME FOCUS IT ON NEW YORK. I WANT TO SEE THE FUN.

WOW! WHAT A FIGHT! MARVEL'S CERTAINLY DOING SOME STREET CLEANING!



IF WHAT YOU SAY IS TRUE, DR HENDERSON, WE ALL MIGHT AS WELL RETURN. THE ARMY WILL ADVANCE FIRST!



23 RD ST.
5TH AVE.

SHORTLY, THE FIRST DIVISION MARCHES DOWN FIFTH AVENUE.

CALLING ALL OF NEW YORK'S PEOPLE... IT IS SAFE TO COME BACK! THE SPIDER MEN HAVE ~~BEEN~~ ELIMINATED!

PPP

WELL, I'LL BE!



THEN YOU MUST HAVE SEEN CAP MARVEL FIGHTING. EH, BILLY?

YEAH, WHAT WAS HE LIKE?



NOT SO FAST, BOYS! BESIDES, I'M GOING TO FILL EVERYTHING IN MY BROADCAST TONIGHT!



AND SO AFTER CAPTAIN MARVEL ARRIVED, THERE WAS NOTHING FOR THE SPIDER MEN TO DO... EXCEPT TURN INTO JUNK ANYWAY. EARTH HAS HAD A PRETTY NARROW ESCAPE. GOOD NIGHT!



WOLFEY! MARVEL APPEARS MONTHLY IN WADE COMICS!

SCORPION MARVEL

The Curse of The Scorpion

YES SIR, your favorite character of the COMICS, the great and only CAPTAIN MARVEL, is now in the movies, where you will be able, not only to see him in his matchless, breath-taking adventures, but will hear his voice. Just think, your very own CAPTAIN MARVEL will actually speak to you. But let's get on with the story of the first episode, **THE CURSE OF THE SCORPION**, in which you will see the mantle of the world's greatest power fall upon the young shoulders of little Billy Batson, a mere boy. We discover Billy in the heart of deepest Siam, as Radio Reporter with an expedition. Let's join Billy and see what happens:

"BOOM, BOOM, BOOM, BOOM—" the nerve racking, never changing, even beat of the native war drums is rolling over the sticky, hot Siamese night. If only that pesky drum beat would change just a little. Its never abating tempo continues to get little Billy Batson, as it does all white men. Billy is waiting for the return of the rest of the expedition party. He is in a far off corner of the huge sacred tomb excavations. The others, James Malcolm, whose money has made this expedition possible, Dr. Serphus Lang and Prof. Luther Bentley, famous archaeologists, and a number of others, including the secretary, Betty Wallace, have gone on ahead. They are probably even now violating the sacred inner tombs, just to get first hand information about the ancient SCORPION DY-

NASTY Billy, who has a strong streak of superstition in his make-up, flatly refused to go with them. That nerve jangling native drum beat is the Siamese answer to the white man's stubbornness, and his ruthless intrusion into their sacred death chambers.

In the very innermost of the sacred tombs, the explorers find the GOLDEN SCORPION, its little claw-like feelers of pure gold holding five peculiar, unusual lenses.

"Ha, at last!" hoarsely whispers Dr. Lange, brim with excitement. "THE GOLDEN SCORPION. The legendary-fabled GOLDEN SCORPION!" While speaking, he accidentally moves the five lenses into their proper focal position. As the last little disk falls into place in its claw-like holder, a terrific, ear rending explosion rocks the earth.

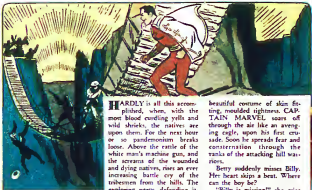
Billy is thrown flat on his face, even though he is quite a distance from the source of the explosion. He raises himself to his knees and — there before him stands High Priest of old Siam, his richly embroidered gown of gold surrounded by a complete halo of a greenish, phosphorescent glow. The boy stares at the apparition in open-mouthed amazement.

"I am SHAZAM!" speaks



the priest in an unearthly, apocalyptic tone "SHAZAM, the mightiest power on earth. By refusing to join the despoilers of the SACRED TOMB, you have proven your worth to me." He circles his long, thin, cadaverous arms above and around the bewildered boy. Holding one thin hand over Billy's heart and laying the other on the lad's forehead, he chants in a sing-song:

"SHAZAM leads unto you, his power SHAZAM delegates unto you, his strength, Naught upon this earth, nor under it, nor in the air above it, shall prevail against you." Raising his arms in a sweeping benediction, SHAZAM added:



HARDLY is all this accomplished, when, with the most blood curdling yells and wild shrieks, the natives are upon them. For the next hour or so pandemonium breaks loose. Above the rattle of the white man's machine gun, and the screams of the wounded and dying natives, rises an ever increasing battle cry of the tribesmen from the hills. The exploring party, defending itself with much more modern weapons than the natives possess, is more than holding its own, against the murderous onslaught.

Slowly the white men retreat across the swinging bridge that spans Death Gorge. They finally gain the opposite shore, and pour such a deadly stream of machine gun fire into the swarming, solid mass of natives, that they manage to keep the bridge broad open. Up to this point the Americans have suffered but one casualty. Maxwell, the Radio man, was killed there on the other side of the bridge.

Suddenly Billy spots a great mass of natives preparing to charge down on them rear from the high hills. He knows full well that their little band cannot withstand a two front attack. Closing his eyes, the boy reverently pronounces the magic name for the first time.

"SHAZAM!" Hardly had the last form of the name died from his lips, then he stood there, transformed into a man—a veritable power house of muscle and strength. His ill fitting, baggy, loosely hanging tropical clothes, are changed, in the twinkling of an eye, into a

beautiful costume of skin fitting, moulded tightness. CAPTAIN MARVEL soars off through the air like an avenging eagle, upon his first crusade. Soon he spreads fear and consternation through the ranks of the attacking hill warriors.

Betty suddenly misses Billy. Her heart skips a beat. Where can the boy be?

"Billy is missing!" she cries out in hysterical fear. "He's probably still on the other side." Before any of the surprised Americans could stop her, Betty was half way across the bridge, wildly calling out Billy's name. At that very moment, the overhead strands that held up the bridge, succumbed to the endless pounding of machine gun fire, and with a grinding, creaking roar the suspended structure collapsed, sending Betty, screaming, down into the foaming, angry gorge, a full thousand feet below.

What happened to the beautiful secretary? Was she dashed to pieces on the hard, jagged rocks below?

You have just read the first installment of the motion picture serial, starring Tom Tyler as CAPTAIN MARVEL. It is a Republic Picture, in twelve episodes. It's title: "THE ADVENTURES OF CAPTAIN MARVEL." Follow the thrilling serial of your local picture theatre—and don't fail to read the full details on page 45 of this issue.

The End

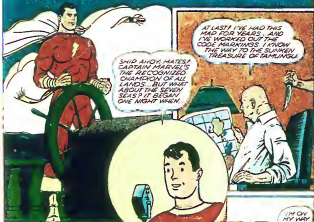
"Call but upon my name and you will change into CAPTAIN MARVEL. No power in the universe can then withstand you." SHAZAM is already fading rapidly from view. Faintly, very faintly, the words come to Billy, as from afar off:

"Use this power well, my son. Invoke it but for the destruction of evil. Use it only for good. Only for———" SHAZAM had vanished.

Later that night, as they all gather around a huge camp fire, James Malcolm, the leader of the expedition, speaks:

"It is quite evident, gentlemen, that in the GOLDEN SCORPION and its five lenses we have come upon a thing of tremendous power." Remembering the terrific explosion, all agreed. "I suggest," he continued, "that we keep its component parts separated until such time as we may desire to call upon it for aid." The others heartily chime in with this plan. The lenses are accordingly distributed among five of the most important members of the group. The GOLDEN SCORPION itself is given to Billy's boss, Maxwell, the Radio Broadcast man.

CAPT MARVEL



SAID ANDY HATES! CAPTAIN MARVEL'S THE RECOGNIZED CHAMPION OF ALL LANDS... BUT WHAT ABOUT THE SEVEN SEAS? IT BEGAN ONE NIGHT WHEN...

AT LAST! I'VE HAD THIS HAD FOR YEARS... AND I'VE WORKED OUT THE CODE MARKINGS. I KNOW THE WAY TO THE SUMMER TREASURE OF DAPLINGU!



OH!

YOU'RE OUR BEST MAN, BULLY! SEE WHAT YOU CAN DIG UP ON THE STRANGE MURDER OF THAT POOR OLD SAILOR.

I'M ON MY WAY TO THE WATER FRONT DISTRICT

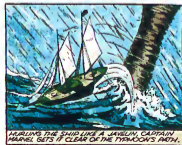
A FLASH OF COLD STEEL AND THE SAILOR TOPPLES IN DEATH....



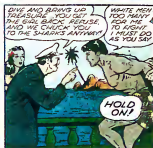


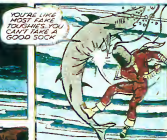








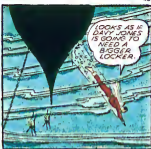












BUT A MONSTROUS SHARK HAS DRAWN NEAR, AND...





CAPT MARVEL



FEARFUL MENACE DESCENDS ON A FRIGHTENED PEOPLE... A MENACE KNOWN ONLY AS THE ARSON FIEND. BUT THAT'S WHEN CAPTAIN MARVEL, MIGHTIEST MAN OF THE UNIVERSE... STEPS IN TO MAKE HIS BID FOR JUSTICE!

MY NAME IS GEORGE D. THEEDLE, SR. I SELL FIRE INSURANCE....

SCRAM, THEEDLE! WE DON'T NEED INSURANCE... OUR BUILDING CAN'T BURN DOWN. NOW BEAT IT!

HMM... SO HIS FILTHY HOTEL CAN'T BURN DOWN, EH? WE'LL SEE... WE'LL SEE.



A STRANGE LITTLE MAN CARRYING A SMALL BLACK BAG ENTERS A FASHIONABLE HOTEL...







CARRYING THE LOAD AS THOUGH IT WERE FEATHERS, THE MIGHTIEST MAN IN THE UNIVERSE ZOOMS TO SAFETY...



THREE CHEERS FOR MARVEL!

HE SAVED THEM ALL!



GOOOOON, CAPTAIN MARVEL!

NO, HE'S MINE!

TRY AND GET HIM!

ISN'T HE SUCH A STRONG, HANDSOME BRUTE!



SH-SH-SH-SHAZAM!

SMACK

SMACK



BUT WHAT HAPPENED TO CAPTAIN MARVEL?

...AND SO CAPTAIN MARVEL SAVED EVERY LIFE THAT WAS ENDANGERED ... GOOD BYE FOLKS.

FEAR AND JUST AS I WAS GETTING PLACES!



AFTER THE ROARING FLAMES SUBSIDE, ALL DEPART FROM THE SCENE OF BURN... ALL BUT ONE SMALL FIGURE...



TEH TEH... I WARNED THEM... BUT THEY SAID IT COULDN'T BURN!



HO HUM! GUESS I'LL GO ON MY WAY... SELLING FIRE INSURANCE. THIS LOOKS LIKE A GOOD PROSPECT.



THEEEDLE'S THE NAME GEORGE D. TWEEEDLE. MY LINE IS FIRE INSURANCE.

WE AIN'T SCARED OF THE ARSON FRENDS! BAH! WE DON'T WANT NO INSURANCE!



BUT I HOPE YOU'D LISTEN...

GO ON, GOGGLE YOUR EYES. AMERICAN BEAT IT! YEAH! GO HOME, YOU'VE TAKEN INSURANCE ELSEWHERE!



DEAR ME, HOW STRANGE HUMAN NATURE IS. TEH TEH... HOW STRANGE, ALWAYS ASKING FOR TROUBLE!



DIDJA HEAR A NOISE JOE?

HAVE? THERE ANY NOBODY FOUND HERE?







THROUGH THE BOLTS WOULD TURN ICE TO WATER, AND WATER TO STEAM...THROUGH THEY WOULD EVEN DESTROY THE STRONGEST METALS...THEY ARE HERE NOTHING TO EARTH'S MIGHTIEST MAN!



NOW I'LL SHOW YOU A SPECIAL PUNCH OF MINE, I CALL IT.....



...THE FLY-AWAY "PUNCH"!



AND NOW... WHAT IS...?



NOT LEAVING SO SOON, ARE YOU?
GOODBYE, MORTAL... MAY WE MEET AGAIN?



AS THOUGH CLOSED DOORS MEAN ANYTHING TO ME!



HEY... WHA...?!

OH... ER GOOD EVENING, SIR. TWEEDE'S THE NAME...GEORGE B TWEEDE!



















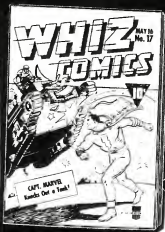




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